

Hands-On History Fun

Create-A-Craft:

Shepherd, Lamb, and Angel Puppet Heads

You will need: various colors of construction paper cut into 9" x 5" lengths, including white for the lambs; sticky tape and glue; scissors; markers to draw designs; cotton for lambs and beards; long strips of paper for hair (dark, light, whatever color hair you want!); white paper to cut into wings (for angels)

First, roll the paper into a cylinder or tube shape to see how the puppet head will look. Second, flatten the paper in order to draw the eyes, nose, and mouth for each puppet head.

Third, roll the paper back into the tube shape, overlap the edges of the paper, and tape or glue them together.

Make the lamb head puppets by gluing cotton balls all over their heads—be sure not to cover up their cute eyes.

Make the shepherd head puppets by gluing cotton balls on their lower face as beards. You may want to use a marker to darken the beards. Glue or tape hair (long strips of paper) to the top of their heads. You may want to either draw colored robes for the shepherds or make them out of construction paper.

Make the angel head puppets out of white paper. Draw and cut out wings. Glue the wings to the back of the angel head. Add cotton for hair, or long white strips of paper if you prefer. Add any other special details that you wish your puppets to have. Now that you have these puppet heads, put on a puppet presentation of the angels appearing to the shepherds who were watching their flocks by night.

Remember, the angels praised God and said, "Glory to God in the Highest, And on earth peace, good will toward men!"